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SUBJECT: ISRAELI SHIPPING CONTINUES STRIKE-BOUND

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1. FOLLOWING RENEWED EFFORTS BY THE HISTADRUT TO NEGOTIATE
A COMPROMISE AND TO HAVE THE UNIONS ACCEPT A ONE MONTH
COOLING-OFF PERIOD, THE SECRETARY OF THE MARINE OFFICERS'
UNION YESHAYAHU GORMAN DECLARED ON THE EVENING OF APRIL
14 THAT HIS UNION IS PREPARED TO TIE UP ISRAELI SHIPPING
INDEFINITELY UNTIL THE SHIPPERS ASSOCIATION AGREES
TO ASSURE ALL OFFICERS HIGHER SALARIES THAN THE WAGES
PAID TO RATINGS . NEGOTIATIONS HAVE BEEN TEMPORARILY
SUSPENDED.

2. THE OFFICERS ARE WELL AWARE OF THE WEAKNESS OF THE
GOVERNMENT, EMPLOYERS, AND HISTADRUT. THE GOVERNMENT
HAS NOT EVEN ATTEMPTED TO ISSUE EMERGENCY BACK TO WORK
ORDERS, KNOWING THEY WOULD BE IGNORED. THE PROSPECTS
ARE THAT THE SHIPPING COMPANIES, DESPITE PLEAS THAT
THEIR OPERATING EXPENSES ARE ALREADY HIGHER THAN
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THOSE OF THEIR COMPETITORS, WILL YIELD TO THE
OFFICERS' DEMANDS.

3. SUCH A CONCESSION, HOWEVER, WILL NOT IMMEDIATELY
END THE STRIKE, BECAUSE THE SHAMEN'S UNION LEADERS
INSIST THAT THE OFFICERS' DEMANDS ARE BASED ON CLASS
STATUS RATHER THAN MERIT. PRSUMABLY A SOLUTION

WILL BE FOUND BY GIVING BOTH SIDES INCREASES AND BY
EXEMPTING CERTAIN JUNIOR OFFICERS FROM THE PROVISION
THAT THEIR SALARIES MUST BE KEPT ABOVE EARNINGS OF
SKILLED SEAMEN. IN THE MEANTIME THE TIE-UP OF
ISRAELI SHIPPING AND THE BLOCKING OF DOCK SPACE
IN THE PORTS IS BECOMING INCREASINGLY COSTLY.
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